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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT: Scope Notes on Fifteen-Year Plan

1. These notes are submitted in response to your request for "ideas as to what the scope of a 15-year Plan should be, or what points it should cover." It is assumed that what is required at this time is an elaboration of the plan outline and that specific program objectives will be called for later. The following are therefore items which we feel deserve inclusion in the outline or further emphasis therein.

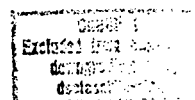
a. Development of the "Intelligence Community" Concept

- (1) Community leadership by DCI.
- (2) Means for coordination of Community activities.
- (3) Trends in integration of intelligence responsibilities.
- (4) Responsiveness to the needs of policy makers.

b. Public Relations

- (1) The Agency Image
- (2) Relationship to Congress and the people.
- (3) Careers in Intelligence.
- (4) Support from non-intelligence community (government, academic, research, business).

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c. Information Handling

- (1) Collection, Processing, Storage and Distribution.
- (2) ADP Applications
- (3) Central Reference Facilities
- (4) Coordination and rationalization on a Community-wide basis.
- (5) Problems of multiple handling and proliferation of files.
- (6) Integration of varied collection and exploitation products (COMOR, SIGINT, etc.) for analytical and estimative purposes.

d. Exploitation of Open Literature and Human Resources

- (1) Collection Methods
- (2) Exploitation
- (3) Machine Applications

e. Requirements Control

- (1) ADP Applications
- (2) All source

f. Overlapping and/or Redundant Interests and Capabilities

- (1) Internal
- (2) In Community

g. Internal (cross directorate) Coordination

2. The foregoing items suggest two areas in which we feel the proposed outline is deficient. There is no provision for projecting a concept of the institutional framework within which the various activities of collection, analysis and production will take place, either within the Agency or in the larger Community. We feel that attention should be given to the direction in which the Intelligence Community, especially CIA, is likely to develop over the next

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15 years. Secondly, the problem of information handling in all of its facets is basic to the efficient functioning of most of the other activities listed. The potential for significant progress in this area over the next 10 or 15 years is very great and will require the application of revolutionary new techniques, more sophisticated hardware and large resources in dollars and personnel.



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